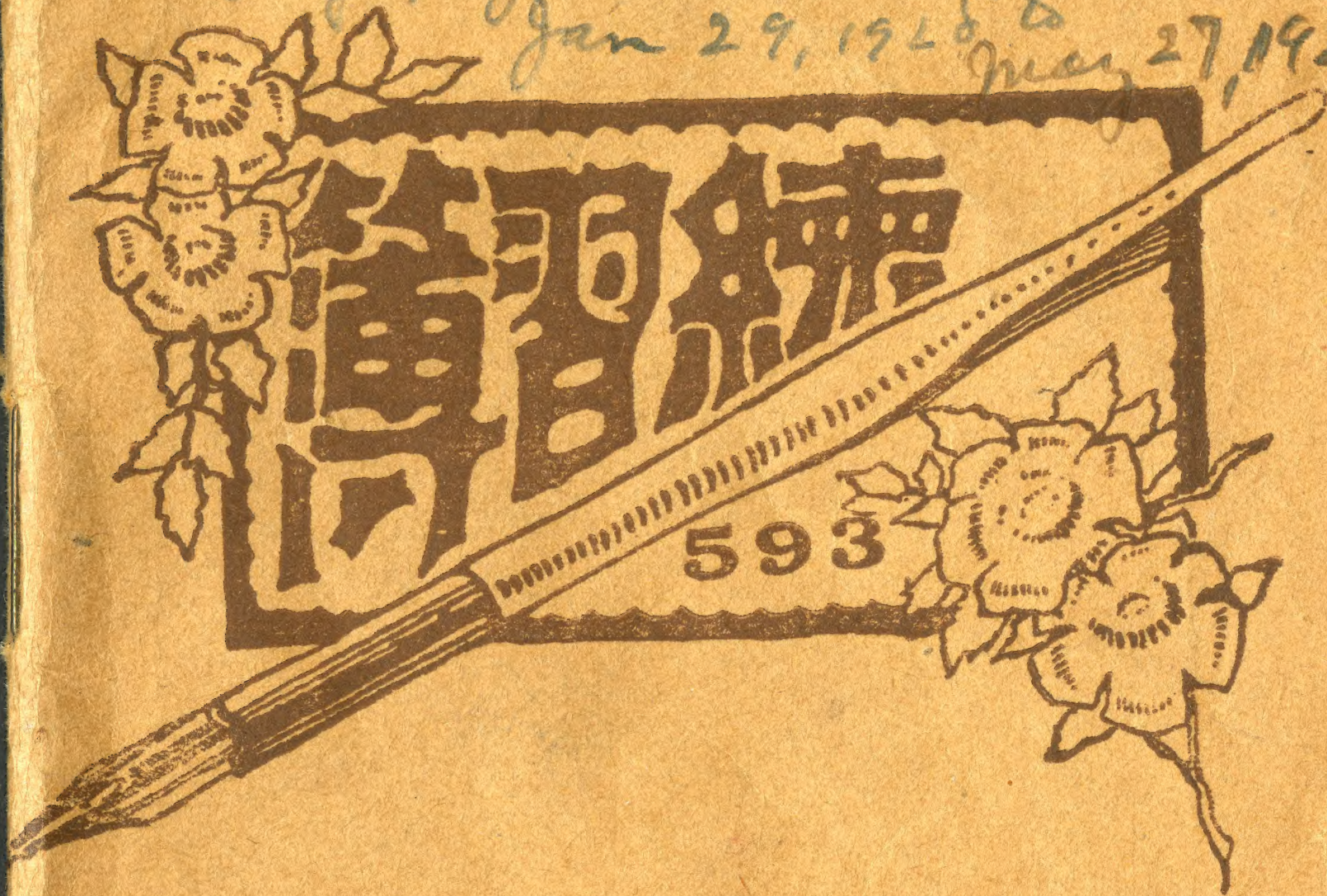


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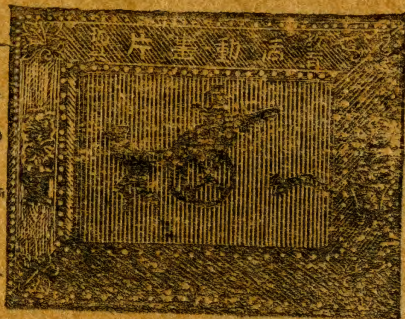
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Jan 29, 1925

This diary does not contain the more extensive notes I am making of Chinese social and religious customs, or even of the artifacts I am occasionally picking up. These will probably appear in articles and possibly in a book later.

I suggest that when the artifacts reach the Smithsonian Institution, those from the Han Dynasty tombs, either the Smithsonian Institution wait until

I am in U.S.A. on Gurlough
to cooperate with the
curators in writing up
these artifacts, & that
the descriptions be sent
to me for perusal before
they are published. I am
constantly learning things
that throw light on these
artifacts. Box no 55
mammal no. 4 & 5

Jan. 30 weather improving. I have
letter to Dr. Wetmore containing
The postmaster states
that specimens can
be forwarded to Shanghai

and advises that they
be shipped at once. I
packed and labelled
some specimens today.

Boxes no 59, 60, 61.

Jan. 31, Netter taken fish here
collected shrimp across
The Min River.

Feb. 1, Mailed fifteen
large boxes of specimens.
Collector secured more
shrimp and ^{other} water
specimens across the
Min River in the
large pools.
Packed boxes 62, 63

Feb. 2. A.M. sent Lehen Zih
men to the mountains to
trap wild mice. P.M.
took a trip across the Min
river. Found a fine
collecting spot for moths
later on.

Feb. 3. Mailed five boxes of
specimens. There are
still four boxes packed
but not yet mailed. a
bright, sunny day.

Feb. 4. Slightly cloudy. witnessed
the great festival called
"welcoming spring." Took several
pictures, but with poor

success because of the
dense crowds and the
narrow streets with shop-
roofs overhanging.

Feb. 5. Mailed four boxes of
specimens, making a total
of 63 boxes to date. mammals
no 46, 47, 48, 49, all mice.
a sunshiny day.

Feb. 6. The final day of New Year's
celebration.

Feb. 7. Went to Beh Son
lehi. Killed eight birds, of
which two were ruined.

Feb. 8. Went on to Ngan Ben
secured only a few shrimp.

Feb 9. Returned to Suifu. Saw a Chinese straw hut catch fire and quickly burn up.

It was an opium den.

Feb. 11. Rumors say that ^{an} civil war is certain to break out soon in Szechuan. If it does, it will bring great suffering to the Szechuan people.

Kerosene in Suifu has now gone up to \$30.00 a case, while it used to be \$8.00. That will to some extent handicap us in the securing of

night moths.

During the next few days I am going to give special training in skinning and taking care of mammals and birds to Lehen Gih Ren, the netter. Then I can send him on trips, and he can both trap and net besides using the lantern at night.

The aborigine collector Yang Fong Shan ought to be in with his winter catch soon. He needs more training in order to do better work in

skinning birds and mammals.
Feb. 12. Spent several hours
teaching netter Lhen Gih Nen
to skin and take care of
mammals. Secured mammals
no. 50, 51, 52. I want to
train him so that he
can make excursions for
himself and do his own
skinning. Besides, I do
not want to be too depend-
ent on the Skinner. He
who might become sick
or quit work. I want
to give the aborigine Yang
Pong Tsang better training.

for I am sure that his
skinning is still imperfect.
I am occasionally securing
fish and fixing them in
formalin.

Feb. 13. Lhen Gih Nen got
badly chilled while practicing
on a bird. He skinned the bird
very nicely, but later had to
go to bed for the day, with
a headache.

Feb. 14. Lhen Gih Nen went
to the nearby mountains
to trap mammals. It is
reported that packages can
not be forwarded properly by

mail now, because of disturbed conditions in the Yangtze gorges. I can go on collecting and await the time when the specimens can be forwarded.

Feb. 15. Mammals no 53, 54, 55.

The collector Chen Jih Lien came in with three wild mice or rats. One was very large. ~~He~~ caught them on a steep mountainside.

The large rat had nothing but wild grass in his stomach.

The aborigine collector Yang Fong Tsang is now over-

due. It may be that there are robbers along the route so that he can not get out. If so, he will probably keep on collecting and bring out his whole catch later.

Feb 16 The collector Chen Jih Lien today collected fish, securing two or three good specimens. There is a strong movement among students and farmers to oppose the forced planting of opium and the collecting of opium taxes from farmers who do not plant opium.

Feb 18 collector Yang Fong
Fong came in with 13
mammals 56-68, including
a young leopard, 27 birdskins
and 14 bird bones. I think he
should get more, and if
he does not I may cut
his wages or discontinue
employing him. My present
intention is to continue
using him at least until
next summer's collecting
is over.

Feb 20. Yesterday took
care of most of the specimens
brought in by the aborigine

collector, Yang Fong² & Tsang!
He has improved some, but
still needs further training.
I am taking him with me
and training him daily, hoping
to help him get nearer
perfection.

Today I passed through
one of the most beautiful
places in the Sui
Prefecture. We dropped
by boat from Sui-fu
down to Shui³ Pien² Loh¹,
then went first by land
to Si Pien Ba. On the
way we passed through

a most beautiful and
interesting ravine. In
some places sheer,
bare, perpendicular
cliffs were exposed. In
one place there is on
the side of a cliff a
fortified place or citadel,
which is almost in-
accessible, where the
population has in the
past escaped from
robbers or soldiers.
In some places there
are terraced and
cultivated hillsides.

much of ~~the~~ way
there were woods. There
must be at least twenty
waterfalls along the
bed of a creek, some
of which have natural
caves under them.

In this canyon or
ravine is a kind of
a tree that I have
not seen elsewhere. It
is like a giant fern,
excepting that the
central tree or stalk
is permanent like
a tree, and grows to

be fully ten inches
in diameter and
twenty feet high.

One leaf I measured
was eleven feet long.

I took one picture,
and took pieces of

the wood and samples
of the leaves or twigs.

Secured four birds and
allowed the aborigine

to practice on them.

Feb. 21,

MAMMAL no. 69, Traveled.

from Gi Sién Ba past Mùh Jia

Pin to Li³ Luan' Psang². Killed

three birds on which the

aborigine collector may practice.

a sunny day. Met many

friends at Gi Sién Ba, at

Mùh Jia Pin, and at Li Puan

Psang². at the last place

the children were first afraid

and ran away, but later

became very friendly.

Feb. 22. mammal no 70, a mole.

went to Ngan Jin Lhiao. met many

old friends. Secured one bird.

Feb. 23, Traveled from

Ngan Jin Lhiao to Si Lhuan or

foot 110 li, or about thirty

miles, all on foot. Secured

only one bird. The road

was in many places
muddy and slippery beyond
description, due to a
rain last night.

Feb. 24. Travelled from Si
lehuan to Suifu, securing four
birds. I found that the thieves
have dug a small hole through
our brick wall. It looks as if they
were trying to get in. I'll have
to be at the watch, and the
watch-dog will be ^{valuable} invaluable.
I will notify the police head-
quarters tomorrow and see
what they will do. Today
I wounded a duck that escaped.

Feb. 25. Lehen ~~at~~ Gih
Yien returned with eleven
wild mice and a few insects.
mammals no. 71-81

Feb. 26. Lehen Gih Yien came in
with ^{packed cage specimens} a small catching insects

Feb. 27. Lehen Gih Yien came
in with a wild rat and insects
mammal no 82.

at present we have no
communication with the
outside world. Not even letters
get through the Yangtze gorges.
We have to do the best we
can with the materials
we have on hand, and

keep collecting the specimens
awaiting the day when the
specimens can be forwarded.

I am using the shotgun
shells very sparingly, for
there is no telling when
we can get more.

I am daily, almost,
taking anthropological
measurements, but bones
are impossible and.

collecting ~~them~~ would
raise a riot, ~~as~~ we
Feb. 25. When jih ren brought
in two wild mice. Mammals
no 83-84.

March 1. During the last
few days we have had some
excitement. Students of a middle
school at Chengtu killed their
principal and threw him into
a well. At least 14 were
executed. It is said
that one thousand and
four hundred fled home
for fear of execution.
Two senior students
were executed. A number
have returned and have
been stirring up the people.
A few days ago groups
began to appear on

the city wall and knock
holes through our brick
wall and batter it up.
I appealed to the police.
They finally got busy and
it has stopped, at least
temporarily.

Mar. 3. Kerosene is \$30.00 a
case, so I have hesitated to
begin using the Smithsonian
kerosene in night-moth catching.
However, I have decided to begin.

The two lanterns provided
by the Smithsonian
Institution were supposed
to be able to burn kerosene,

but they can only burn
gasolene. It will be
exceedingly hard to get
gasolene, and probably
very expensive, but I'll
make the attempt.

For nearly two months
letters from Shanghai
have not been getting
through, but yesterday
and today a few have
arrived.

March 5. When Gih Lien came
in with a large mountain
rat mammal no 83.

March 6. Today Chinese

on the city wall renewed
their ~~attacks~~ on our
compound wall, coming
twice. They did not do
much damage, but no
doubt they will continue
until they do. Yesterday
a large flock of great
gray cranes flew over
and more today. They
have been flying this
way for fully ten days.
In one flock yesterday
I counted 167 birds.
March 7. more rain. People
are beginning to wish for

good weather and sunshine.
When it was brought
in a wild cat. The weather
is so cold that practically
no insects are being caught.
mammal no. 84. Today
the police put up a
placard saying they
would severely punish
any who continue to
ruin our compound walls.
May 9. There have been no more
attacks on the compound walls
so far. People are in a very ^{badly} disturbed state of mind. Many
letters to The American Express

Company re specimens, and
to Dr. Wetmore. A sunshiny day.
Mar. 10. Today I went across
the Min River to see an old
grave, but did not find much
interesting. I secured an
immense fish with a very
long nose, the kind I
wrote ~~about~~ to Dr. Wetmore
about two years ago. a long
bill, with a soft, blunt nose.
I will measure ^{it} and take
the best care I can of it
tomorrow. I got some letters
from my family.

Today the police caught

a boy trying to smash
our compound wall and
took him to our police
station. It seems that
they are really trying to protect
March 11. Lhen Zih ven came
in not well and with a
poor catch. He says
the boys on the street
call him a foreign slave
and one who is destroying
his country because he
is collecting specimens.
He feels upset about it.
with many here anything
or anybody foreign is an

enemy of China
and doing a work to
destroy China.

March 12-15. Took an inexpensive
trip to Li Chuan, 60 li down
the Yangtze River. Secured
14 birds and two small
mammals, nos. F5-F6.

Some of the spring and summer
birds are arriving, but I did
not get any uncommon birds.

March 18. The communists have
become so bold and active that
the militarists have begun
executing. One young man was
executed on the main street

of Suifu and is being left
there unburied three days
as a spectacle to warn
others. It is reported that
others are being executed
in the outlying country.
Doubtless the attacks on
our compound wall and
house have been instigated
by communists. They attack
foreigners in order to
make trouble for the officials.
I have sent Chen Zih
ren, well supplied with
materials, to Yachow
to collect for about two

months. There will be a foreigner with him and he will cover a wide district. Yachow should yield excellent specimens. There will be another Chinese helping him and he will take in the town of Moupin.

March 19. Filled boxes 64-70 with specimens. It is not possible to mail these now, as parcels can not at present be carried by the post office to Shanghai.

March 20. Today I took a long collecting trip to the Suifu hills. I climbed down to the side of a steep cliff and looked into a deep cave where leopards have been seen. Later I climbed by way of the inside stairway to the top of the Black Pagoda and stood up on top of it. Secured six birds and some insects. Filled box no 71, bird bones. Sixteen communists were captured in Suifu yesterday evening. It is reported that the Communists were planning

to burn the city of Chung-
bing, but that a few hundred
were taken prisoners and
the plot frustrated.

The black pagoda from
our house registers 142 degrees
March 21. This is my
birthday, but no one in
Suijin knows it, so it
has been very quiet.
March 22. Today I
entertained at a foreign
dinner General Hsu,
one of the highest officers
in Yunnan Province, the
two chief military officers

of Suijin, the head
militia officer of the
Suijin District, the
two heads of the Suijin
Chamber of Commerce,
and several Suijin merchants.
March 23. Today I learned
that my name had been
reported in a ^{Chinese} Chungking
newspaper. This is something
foreigners generally prefer to avoid
during these times, for unfavor-
able things are apt to be said.
This time nothing ^{unfavorable}
was said. It was merely
reported that I had

secured an immense
fish and was going
to send it to America.
Today I packed one box of
specimens, box no 71.
March 24. This afternoon I
led a science discussion
class of Chinese leaders.

I was invited to a feast
given by all the leading Yunnan
organizations, including the
government schools and
official departments, to
General Hu and his staff
from Yunnan Province.
after this was over we

attended a movie. The
story, the characters,
the scenes were all
Chinese. I also received
a letter from Chengtu
saying that the West China
Border Research Society will
renew its activities soon,
and probably publish
another journal within
the next year. Packed
box no 72.

March 26. Packed
box no 73, wrapped
nine boxes for shipping.
These can not be

mailed now, as traffic
is not open below Lehung King,
but they can be mailed later.

It is reported that British
and Japanese gunboats are
going to escort merchant
ships to Suifu. I think this
is contrary to even the old treaties
at any rate it is apt to raise
a hornet's nest and we here
are quite apt to get some ^{things}.

Measured two Chinese
with anthropometric ^{instruments}
March 27. Sent in financial
report no five. Secured
a few insects.

March 28, Today I
took the anthropometrical
measurements of nine
Chinese women. There was
an experienced nurse help-
ing take the temperatures etc.

Secured a few insects.
March 29. Took a short
hunting-trip, securing ^{three}
birds. Saw about thirty
soldiers bringing in four
bandits.

I have had the carpent.
er make trays for carrying
birdskins on collecting trips
so as to avoid pressure on

the skins. This should
make ~~it~~ unnecessary
spoiling the skins through
pressure.

March 31. Caught a few insects.

Apr. 2. Received a letter from
Chen Jih Wen saying he had
arrived at Yachow and was
on his way to Moupin; he
is now busy collecting,
but he will tour the Yachow
district rather than remain
at present in Moupin.

Apr. 4. I received a letter from
the American Express Company
today saying they had only

secured seven boxes. The
rest will probably arrive
all right in time, but I'll
have enquiries made.
April 6. I secure a few insects each
day. I am exceedingly busy at present,
but do what I can. In about two
weeks I hope to take a trip of about
three weeks, possibly more, when
I should get many specimens.
The aborigine should be in with
a two-month's catch in about
ten days. Three men were
executed (brigands) today.
Apr. 7. Secured some insects.

April 9. Spent the
afternoon collecting insects
and secured some
that look interesting.
The city postmaster says
that many of my packages
of specimens are at
Chungking but that
they will ultimately
reach Shanghai
safely.

April 12. I have been daily
collecting such specimens
as I could. These have been
my most busy days at Suifu
but hereafter I will be

freer and will be
doing more collecting.

Today I mailed some
films to Dr. Wetmore.

Mammal no. 87

April 16. Today I gave anthropom-
etrical measurements to
six Chinese. I expect to
do more collecting of biological
specimens hereafter. I have
been tied down with special
meetings and conferences
here in Suifu.

There is a ~~small~~ beetle
in Yunnan, which, when
attacked emits a vapor
or smoke that has an

unpleasant smell. There
is also a sound, tonight
I pursued one and when
about to take hold of
it with my hand, it
emitted the vapor,
it seemed to burn
my fingers, as though
hot, but there was no
after effect. The beetle
is yellow and black.
I have sent in
specimens before and
will send in more.
The length is approximately
an inch.

Later. - Next morning
the skin on my finger
had turned brown on
the spot where, if I
remember correctly, the
gas from the beetle stung or
burnt me. I may be
mistaken about this, but
I do not think so.

Apr. 18. I secured some
interesting-looking insects
today, mostly small ones.
Robbers are operating in
the country in all directions
from Suifu. Last night
three Chinese members

of the China Inland Mission
church were robbed in their
bungalow on the Suifu hills.
They were tied and beaten. I
expected to go up there in
a day or two.

April 25, Packed boxes
no 73 (rats), 74 (rat
and bird skeletons)
and 75 (the great fish)
today.

It is reported that
the specimens at
Chungking in the
Postoffice, 59 boxes, have
now been forwarded

to Shanghai. I will
soon mail more
boxes. Twelve are
now ready to mail,
almost, and more
can quickly be packed.

There has really
been a sort of rebellion
against exorbitant
taxes which resulted
in a battle at
Chuang. Over fifty
were killed outright,
and more than
one hundred more
are said to have

died of their wounds
The country has been
so disturbed that
it has been wise
to stay in the city.

Apr. 24 Packed box no

76, insects. Box 77

Apr. 28 Went out for a
short hunting trip

Apr. 29 a guest from
Kiating kept me busy,
but I secured some
insects.

May 1. Received Dr. McMurres
letter stating that
the Moupin trip is

approved and the money
assured. I'll begin planning
right away.

Today three were executed
on the river bank. I heard
that two were robbers and
one a communist.

Mailed fourteen
boxes of specimens
to the Smithsonian
Institution, most of them
large, boxes number 64-77
May 2-5. Took a trip to
Ngan Bien. Got two varieties
of fish, and two varieties of
fly-catchers.

May 6. A box of specimens arrived from Yachow, collected by the netter Lehen Jih sien. I picked the specimens all over and dried them. This is box no 78. Filled box no 79 with specimens secured at Suifu, mostly insects. Box no 80, small fish.

May 7. Filled box no 81, fish.
" 8 a rainy day. Straightened out Smithsonian letters &c.

" 9. Sent two packages to the Postoffice. Caught some interesting bees or wasps.

May 10. This morning

I sent a coolie to catch shrimps. This afternoon with the ebinner I went across the river to net and to catch water specimens. Secured a good many fish and three eels.

Last night five men were killed by a number of men in civilian clothes. There was an attempt to kill an officer, but the officer escaped. The city is excited about it.
May 12. It is very hot.

The postmaster says that a general at Fachi, between Suifu and Juchow, has stopped three boat-loads of parcel post packages among which are about 12 Smithsonian packages. He wants to collect duty on the packages. The postal authorities are refusing to pay the duty, for there are many other such places between Kehengtsu and Shanghai that will collect such "duties" if possible.

The postmaster thinks there is no danger of the packages being destroyed.

May 13. I am beginning to get ready for the trip to Moupin. There are brigands in the Moupin district, and these will have to be bribed to protect. If at the last moment I should not be able to collect at Moupin, I would try to collect south of Suifu on the

Yunnan Border,

I will not mail any more packages until I hear that the "General" at Fa Lhi has desisted in his demands for export duty on parcels.

This spring I have been handicapped in the securing of *Lepidoptera*, especially night moths. The two 200 candle Smithsoniana lanterns can ^{only} burn gasoline, I have sent to Chungking for ~~least~~ gallons of gasoline.

If I secure gasoline, I will have greater ^{success} in the future.

May 14. Filled box no 82, bird ~~skeletons~~.

May 15. Sent a Chinese to secure water specimens. He was moderately successful. Word has been received that the gasoline is to get here tomorrow. I'll enjoy using it in the lanterns.

May 16. The foreign guests from down the Yangtze did not arrive today, but should arrive tomorrow. Then I'll have gasoline for use in the good lanterns.

May 18. Reports now that
civil war has actually broken
out in eastern Szechuan
so that now specimens
can not get through. I
shall go on collecting, however.

May 19. Today I saw
soldiers drilling all over the
hills. This only happens
when war is imminent.
Went 25 li west of Suifu
on the Yunnan Road and
in a swamp killed 9 birds
ten in all, of which there ^{may}
be 4 varieties I have not
received before.

Filled box no 83
insects.

May 20. Wrote several
Smithsonian letters re
collecting, re transshipping
in Shanghai, etc.
Secured some nice ^{insects}.

I am bothered about
the gasoline. After
opening a can, I have
nothing to put it in.
Some way must be
worked out. It is
impossible to secure a
drum in Suifu.

May 21. Solved the
problem of where to put
the gasoline. Used jugs,

and bottles.

I filled the gasoline lamps and began to try them out. One worked all right, but the other sprung a big leak so that I do not dare to use it. I am much disappointed.

One lantern is giving good satisfaction.

I expect to leave for a three-day trip tomorrow.

May 25. Today I returned from a trip into the

country. It was the 60th birthday of a farmer named Peen, a church member all his friends and relatives gave presents, and in return were housed and feasted from one to three days, a few for ever longer. I secured eight birds. One of these was taken by ^{somebody} ~~somebody~~. Another was crushed by two cohes. I give the empty cartridges to the ~~one~~ who picks up the bird. Two cohes both wanted the cartridge.

In the scuffle which
ensued to secure the
bird, the bird was crushed
and spoilt. It was a
common bird.

May 27. Have secured two
bats and some insects.

Moupin is at present
robber-ridden. I may or
may not get in there.

It is said that the forests
have been cut down so
it will probably be
poor collecting at
Moupin now.

The civil war in the

Yangtze gorges is over
for the present. Yang Sen
has retreated northward.
He may unite with
Lin Chen Hsiao, an enemy
of the ruling powers in
Central Szechuan, which
would mean more civil
war later.

Yang Dong Tsang, the
aborigine collector, has not
appeared. He is either doing
something besides collecting
or afraid to come out
because of disturbed conditions.
The collector at Yachow
seems to not be getting a great

deal of specimens. I'll
order him down to Suifu
if he does not do better.

about fifteen boxes
of specimens are delayed
indefinitely by a military
leader between Suifu
and Lehangking because
he wants duty paid
on all parcel packages.
The Postoffice will not
give in. all the other
packages should
reach Shanghai soon.

I will begin at
once preparing for the

summer collecting ^{trip},
hoping that I can
carry it through
successfully. Between
now and summer I
expect to take a trip
south of Suifu.

I intend to send
specimens hereafter from
here to Shanghai as
much as possible in
the care of friends, that
will be more expensive
than by parcel post,
but quicker.

I will forward this

diary at once to
the Smithsonian
Institution. It will
probably help the ^{secretaries}
understand why delays
in the forwarding or
delivery of boxes of specimens
are sometimes unavoidable.

Please send this diary
to my wife, Mrs. A. B. Graham 215
North Manning Street, Hillsdale,
Michigan, U.S.A., to be returned
by her to the Smithsonian Institution
for permanent keeping after
she has read it.



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